

Babraham Church of England (VC) County Primary

Newsletter Spring term 2007 Number 3

Dear Parents and Friends,

As the Spring Term draws to a close I would like to thank our community of children, parents, teachers, support staff, governors, friends, Mrs Brown in the office, Mrs Hart in the kitchen and Mr Dunne for all their hard work and enthusiasm. We could not have achieved all we have done without you.

Book Fayre

Thanks to all who manned the book fayre and to those who bought books. Thanks to your generosity we will have nearly £170 to spend on books to support the children's reading. The school council will be asked to choose books for the older children this time.

Fruit and Vegetables

The fruit and vegetable scheme for KS1 continues to work well. Please would you remind your child (KS2) that they are welcome to bring in fruit or vegetables to eat at playtime.

Sainsbury Active Kids vouchers

We are collecting Sainsbury Active Kids vouchers. If you have any for school please put them in the collection box near the office.

Tesco Computers for Schools 2007

We are also collecting Tesco Computers for Schools vouchers. They will be available in stores until Sunday 13th May. Our collection box is outside the school office.

Tesco Sport Vouchers

We collected 7004 Tesco Sport Vouchers this year. We have just taken delivery of footballs, hockey sticks, bean bags, even a croquet set. A **BIG** thank you to everyone who put vouchers in the box and who counted them.

Dinner money / financial contributions

Please could parents ensure that payments are sent in an envelope with the child's name and the reason for the payment, so that we can know exactly who has sent what and why.

Football news

On Friday 24th March our football team played against Barrington. The final result was a win to Barrington. Our team played extremely well and had lots of chances but just could not put them away. We are very proud of their effort. Thank you to Babraham for all your support.

Clubs running - week beginning Monday 23rd April

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Football	Multi sports	Cricket	Summer sports	Computer club Y3 onwards

Swimming

Swimming starts almost immediately on Monday 23rd April for years 1,2,3 and on Tuesday 24th April for years 4, 5 and 6. This is because we miss a few Mondays due to a Bank Holiday and the residential visit. The letter informing you about costs and further details will also be sent today.

Locality Partnership

As you know, the government is keen to encourage a more joined up approach to the provision of care for children and families. Babraham School is part of the Sawston and Linton Locality which has a team of health, social care, educational welfare and support agencies working for it.

Families facing challenging circumstances, may now be given a named worker from the Locality Team, who will draw in support from other agencies as required. It is hoped that this new approach will offer a more effective system, uniting all agencies in supporting children and families, and minimising the unnecessary stress, which some families have experienced, when they have to liaise with many different agencies.

School Council Report

Red Nose day was a huge success. We raised an amazing £166.00 throughout the day and by selling red noses. The bring and buy was a triumph. The children had fun dressing up in big decorative clothes. One person wore their dad's top, shorts and huge red shoes, many people wore red clothes with fun hats and 'deely' boppers. The quiz at the day was exciting and good fun. Thank you to the people who brought in old toys and books for the Bring and Buy Sale. (Emily Morris Y6)

Help your child learn

In the following line of letters, cross out six letters so that the remaining letters (without altering the sequence) will spell a familiar word.

BSAINXLEATNTEARS

Be literal

Remove the words six letters and you are left with banana

Which is the odd one out and why (no right answer - many possibilities)

1485 1588 1645 1690

1588 - the others divide by 3

1588 the other three are the dates of land battles. 1588 is the date of a sea battle

Website of the Month <http://www.andersenpress.co.uk/>

Here you can meet Elmer, The Frog, Colin McNaughton and other popular characters, read excerpts from books, see videos of authors talking about their books. You can link to the Poetry Archive and hear such joys as Michael Rosen reading his poetry. If this is your interest you could hear the great man, along with Nick Sharrat and Jacqueline Wilson over the weekend of 28th / 29th April at the Cambridge Junior Wordfest.

Dates for the Summer Term

School opens	Tuesday 17 th April
Bank Holiday Monday	Monday 7 th May (School closed)
SAT's week	14 th - 18 th May
Teachers' Training day	Friday 25 th May (School closed)
Half term	28 th May - 1 st June

Assemblies

Class 1	27 th April	Cake stall
Class 2	4 th May	Cake stall
Year 4	22 nd June	Cake stall
Class 3	15 th Jun	Cake stall
Celebration	11 th May, 8 th June, 29 th June (music theme), 6 th July	

Sponsored Walk	18 th May
Sports Day	13 th June
(Reserve Sports Day)	20 th June
Maths Open Evening	28 th June
Year 6 Induction SVC	4 th July
Residential Visit	Week beginning 9 th July
Summer Presentation	17 th July
Leavers' Assembly	19 th July
School closes	20 th July

Friends of Babraham School

Table top sale	28 th April
Awesome	19 th May
Country Fayre	30 th June

Wishing you all a very happy and peaceful Easter.

School dates 2007 - 2008

Autumn Term 2007

Teacher Training Day 3 September 2007

Teacher Training Day 4 September 2007

School opens on Wednesday 5th September

5th September to 19 December 2007

Half Term from 22 October to 26 October 2007

School closes on Wednesday 19th December

Christmas Holiday from 20 December to 2 January 2008

Spring Term 2008

Teacher Training Day 3 January 2008

School opens on Friday 4th January 2008

4 January to 20 March 2008

Half Term from 11 February to 15 February 2008

Easter Holiday from 21 March to 4 April 2008

Summer Term 2008

Teacher Training Day 7 April 2008

School opens on Tuesday 8th April

8 April to 22 July 2008

May Day 5 May

Teacher Training Day 23 May 2008

Half Term from 26 May to 30 May 2008

School closes 22nd July